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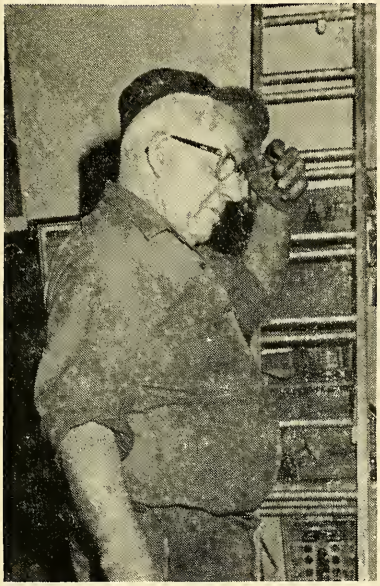

GEORGE VAINE

It has happened to most of us. A windy, winter morning with the temperature at a frigid twenty below. We reluctantly leave the warmth of the house to drive to work. Into the car, in with the key—two half-hearted groans from the engine—awesome silence. Now, if you were in Concord or Boston or some other Town, you would call the nearest Service Station, wait for three or four hours until a surly mechanic arrived, questioned your intelligence, tried your

patience, finally started your car and presented you with a bill that would appear to be equivalent to one month's payment on his new wrecker.

You are fortunate—you live in Croydon. In Croydon anyone in this situation automatically calls George. In fact, for any mechanical problem, be it a car, tractor, lawn mower, or whatever, people call George. Everyone knows that George will be there and will help.

It is in this vein that George displays his superb skill as a machinist. If he doesn't have the part that is needed, he will make it. Rumor has it that if spark plugs weren't so inexpensive now that he would probably be making new ones himself.

George Vaine was born on April 4th, 1897 in Wallingford, Vermont. He spent the earlier part of his life in Westminster, Vermont. He has worked at many professions; the last one in Vermont was as a Stockholder in the Connecticut Valley Orchards in Westminster. He was in charge of the Managed Storage Area for the Orchard. In 1945 George moved his family to Croydon where he has remained to this day. George opened the garage in Croydon in 1956 with his son, John. George found time while running the garage to serve a term as Selectman.

A large book could be written about all of the situations in which he has helped people. Each one of us has our own stories or has heard many others about his help. If such a book were written, much of it would be about the children in Town. Whenever a bicycle or a go-cart or a home-made wagon has to be fixed, you can be sure that it will end up at Vaine's Garage of Croydon. George has never been too busy to help out a stranger, a friend or a child.

We all owe George a special Thank You for helping to make Croydon a very wonderful place to live.

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ANNUAL REPORTS

OF THE

SELECTMEN, TREASURER, ROAD AGENT

POLICE CHIEF AND TRUSTEES OF THE TRUST

FUNDS AND OTHER OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES

of the

TOWN OF CROYDON

NEW HAMPSHIRE

Together with the Report of the

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VITAL STATISTICS FOR THE YEAR 1976

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COVER PICTURE

A year of progress for the Croydon Volunteer Fire Department. On the left, a 1953 GMC all wheel drive tank truck acquired through the Department of Resources and Economic Development, and on the right a 1953 Ford pumper truck purchased from the town of Cornish.

Standing, left to right: Norman Brassaw. Lee Archembault, Lt. Robert Dearden, Chief Harry Newcomb, Robert Burnside. Lt. Ronald Leslie, Joseph Howes, John Cummings, Jr., Nelson Palmer, Joseph Shull and John McDonough.

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TOWN OFFICERS

Moderator

Willis H. Ballou, Sr.

Town Clerk and Treasurer

Rita Gross

Selectmen

Jules Pellerin

David Shackett — Thomas A. Ballou

Tax Collector

Veronica Newcomb

Supervisors of the Checklist

Janet Pellerin

Agnes MacKenzie — Katharine Fogg

Ballot Clerks

Dorothy Ballou

Mildred Vaine — Margaret Weber

Health Officer

Harry P. Newcomb

Police Department

Chief — Roderick Hansen

Special Officer — Frank Holmes

Forest Fire Warden

Harry P. Newcomb

Road Agent

John Brown, Jr.

Croydon Volunteer Fire Department

Chief, Harry P. Newcomb
Assistant Chief, Thomas A. Ballou
Lt. Ronald Leslie, Lt. Robert Dearden,
Lt. Kenneth Sanborn

Planning Board

Robert Burnside

David Shackett
Romona Truell

William Walsh
Fred Hurd

Trustees of Trust Funds

Marie Newcomb

Diane Lurvey

Patricia Sawyer

Librarian

Donna Leslie

Library Trustees

Dorothy Ballou

Pearl McIntosh

Joyce Walsh

Auditors

Janet Pellerin

Janice Cummings

SCHOOL OFFICERS

School Board

William Walsh

Dorothy Ballou

Agnes MacKenzie

Moderator

Willis H. Ballou, Jr.

Clerk and Treasurer

Willis H. Ballou, Sr.

Auditor

Beatrice Smith

TOWN WARRANT

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the inhabitants of the Town of Croydon, in the County of Sullivan qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are notified to meet at the Town Hall in said Town on Tuesday, the 8th day of March next at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, (polls not to close earlier than 6 o'clock in the afternoon) to act upon the following subjects:

ART. 1. To choose one Selectman for three years, Highway Agent for one year, two Auditors for one year, Library Trustee for three years, one Trustee of Trust Funds for three years, and all such officers and agents as may be necessary for transaction of the Town's business for the ensuing year.

ART. 2. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Planning.

ART. 3. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to defray Town Charges for the ensuing year.

ART. 4. To see if the Town will vote to accept State Aid for Class V roads and vote to raise and appropriate $511.59 for same, the State to contribute $3,410.59.

ART. 5. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for summer and winter road maintenance.

ART. 6. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for General Expense of the Highway Department.

ART. 7. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for maintenance of Town Dump.

ART. 8. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for upkeep of cemeteries.

ART. 9. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for cutting brush.

ART. 10. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Capital Reserve Fund to be used for new equipment.

ART. 11. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Street Lights and Lighting Town Buildings.

ART. 12. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Social Security on Town Employees for the ensuing year.

ART. 13. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to hire all necessary sums of money for use during the year in anticipation of taxes.

ART. 14. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Insurance.

ART. 15. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Old Age Assistance.

ART. 16. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to defray the cost of Library, including Librarian's salary, heat, etc.

ART. 17. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Newport Area Home Health Agency.

ART. 18. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Solid Waste Fund and authorize the withdrawal of $2,500.00 for this purpose from the Revenue Sharing Fund established under the State and Local Assistance Act of 1972.

ART. 19. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Capital Reserve Fund for new equipment and authorize the withdrawal of $2,500.00 for this purpose from the Revenue Sharing Fund established under the State and Local Assistance Act of 1972.

ART. 20. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for a Tax Map and authorize the withdrawal of the balance of the Revenue Sharing Fund established under the State and Local Assistance Act of 1972 for this purpose.

ART. 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $85.00 as its share of the cost of publicizing and promoting the natural attractions of the Dartmouth-Lake Sunapee Region.

ART. 22. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Newport Hospital.

ART. 23. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Croydon Volunteer Fire Department.

ART. 24. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $282.00 to continue its membership in the Upper Valley-Lake Sunapee Council.

ART. 25. To see if the Town will vote to ban smoking in the Town Hall during public meetings. (Inserted by petition)

ART. 26. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for lowering the Town Hall ceiling, sanding and varnishing the Town Hall floor, painting the inside walls of the Town Hall, new wiring, and to put down new linoleum on the stage and kitchen floor. (Inserted by petition)

ART. 27. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to withdraw from Capital Reserve Funds for purchase of new equipment to purchase a one ton dump truck and utility spreader for sanding and salting town roads.

ART. 28. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to transfer a piece of land known as the Benoit Lot to the Croydon Volunteer Fire Department. (Inserted by petition)

ART. 29. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the purchase of a road rake for the Highway Department.

ART. 30. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Police Department.

ART. 31. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Lebanon Regional Airport.

ART. 32. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to pay the Auditors at an hourly rate, to be determined by the Selectmen, instead of a fixed rate which is the current practice.

ART. 33. To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands and seals at said Croydon this 19th day of February, 1977.

JULES H. PELLERIN
DAVID A. SHACKETT
THOMAS BALLOU

Selectmen of Croydon

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

JULES H. PELLERIN
DAVID A. SHACKETT
THOMAS BALLOU

Selectmen of Croydon

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF CROYDON

Appropriations and Estimates of Revenues for the Ensuing Year January 1, 1977 to December 31, 1977

Purposes of Appropriations	Appropriations Previous Fiscal Year	Actual Expenditures Previous Fiscal Year	Appropriations Ensuing Fiscal Year 1977
General Government:			
Town Officers' Salaries	$ 4,500.00	$ 3,345.73	$ 4,500.00
Town Officers' Expenses	1,000.00	976.85	1,000.00
Election & Regis. Exp.	1,800.00	1,677.06	1,600.00
Town Hall & Other Town Buildings	2,000.00	652.11	2,000.00
Employees' Retirement & Social Security	1,100.00	790.09	1,100.00
Protection of Persons & Property:			
Police Department	3,001.00	3,277.99	3,000.00
Fire Department	2,500.00	1,128.49	3,000.00
Pine Blister Rust	118.00	118.00	
Insurance	2,000.00	2,230.00	2,500.00
Planning & Zoning	200.00	60.45	100.00
Damages & Legal Expense	2,000.00	2,500.05	2,500.00
Health Department:			
Hospitals & Ambulance	2,468.00	1,176.00	2,000.00
Town Dump & Garbage Removal	800.00	1,053.00	1,200.00
Highways & Bridges:			
Town Maintenance—Summer & Winter	14,000.00	10,961.72	16,000.00
Street Lighting	1,100.00	1,019.33	1,100.00
General Expenses of Highway Department	5,000.00	4,772.15	5,000.00
Town Road Aid	515.51	515.51	511.59

Libraries:	900.00	900.00	900.00
Public Welfare:			
Town Poor		130.17	
Old Age Assistance	3,000.00	1,585.50	3,000.00
Patriotic Purposes:			
Memorial Day, etc.	100.00	1,053.71	100.00
Public Service Enterprises:			
Cemeteries	800.00	787.65	850.00
Advertising & Regional Assoc.	215.00	215.00	282.00
Debt Service:			
Interest on Temporary Loans	500.00	403.17	500.00
Capital Outlay:			
Cutting Brush	750.00	262.50	800.00
Payment to Capital Reserve Funds	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00
Payment to Road Reserve		10,000.00	
Total Appropriations	$ 56,367.51	$ 57,592.23	$ 59,543.59

Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue for the Ensuing Year January 1, 1977 to December 31, 1977

Sources of Revenue	Estimated Revenue Previous Year 1976	Actual Revenue Previous Year 1976	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Year 1977
From State:			
Interest & Dividends Tax	$ 1,500.00	$ 1,700.32	$ 1,700.00
Gasoline Tax	350.00	325.72	300.00
Savings Bank Tax	150.00	206.95	200.00
Meals & Rooms Tax	2,000.00	2,730.50	2,500.00
½ Fire Reimbursement		48.57	
Highway Sub. (Cl. IV & V)	6,745.51	6,745.51	6,692.66
Duncan Fund	4,500.56	4,500.56	4,477.68
Reim. A/C Business Profits Tax (Town Portion)	4,000.00	4,490.88	4,500.00
T. R. A.	3,436.77		3,410.59
From Local Sources:			
Dog Licenses	250.00	314.40	300.00
Business Licenses, Permits & Filing Fees		14.00	
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	5,000.00	7,577.62	7,000.00
Income from Bicentennial		445.32	
Cemeteries		341.00	
Sale of Gasoline	500.00	1,113.76	1,000.00
Grantham Fire Reimbursement		71.40	
Rent of Town Property		70.00	
Sale of Town Property		12.00	
Bond & Note Issues		35,000.00	
From Federal Sources:			
Revenue Sharing	7,500.00		
Total Revenues	$ 35,932.84	$ 65,708.51	

SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION

Town of Croydon in Sullivan County

CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is correct to the best of our knowledge and belief.

October 28, 1976

JULES H. PELLERIN
DAVID A. SHACKETT
THOMAS A. BALLOU

LAND—Improved and Unimproved		$1,714,255.00
Buildings		3,247,678.00
Factory Buildings		100,000.00
Public Utilities—Electric		
Public Service of N. H.	$239,993.00	
N. H. Electric Coop.	700.00	
		240,693.00
House Trailers, Mobile Homes & Travel Trailers Assessed as Personal Property		71,700.00
Total Valuation Before Exemptions Allowed		$5,374,326.00
Elderly Exemptions (23)	$67,850.00.	
Total Exemptions Allowed		67,850.00
Net Valuation on Which Tax Rate is Computed		$5,306,476.00

Number of Inventories Distributed in 1976	326
Date 1976 Inventories Were Mailed	March 12, 1976
Number of Inventories Returned in 1976	208
Number of Individuals Applying for an Elderly Exemption 1976	23
Number of Individuals Granted an Elderly Exemption 1976	23

Number of Property Owners **who applied** for Current Use in 1976 and the aggregate total number of acres for which application was made

No. of Owners: 7; No. of Acres: 13,461.

Number of Property Owners **who were granted** Current Use Exemption in 1976 and total number of acres exempted.

No. of Owners: 0; No. of Acres: 0.

STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND TAXES ASSESSED

For the Tax Year 1976

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October 28, 1976

JULES H. PELLERIN
DAVID A. SHACKETT
THOMAS A. BALLOU
Selectmen of Croydon

Appropriations

Town Officers' Salaries	$ 4,500.00
Town Officers' Expenses	1,000.00
Election & Registration Expenses	1,800.00
Town Hall & Other Town Buildings	2,000.00
Employees' Retirement & Social Security	1,100.00
Police Department	3,001.00
Fire Department	2,500.00
Care of Trees	118.00
Insurance	2,000.00
Planning & Zoning	200.00
Damages & Legal Expenses	2,000.00
Health Department	2,000.00
Town Dump & Garbage Collection	800.00
Town Maintenance—Summer & Winter	14,000.00
Street Lighting	1,100.00

General Expenses of Highway Department	5,000.00
Town Road Aid	515.51
Libraries	900.00
Old Age Assistance	3,000.00
Patriotic Purposes	100.00
Cemeteries	800.00
Advertising & Regional Associations	215.00
Interest on Temporary Loans	500.00
Cutting Brush	750.00
N.H.H.A.A.	468.00
Payments to Capital Reserve Funds	
New Equipment	2,000.00
Solid Waste	2,000.00
Tax Maps	2,000.00
Total Town Appropriations	$ 56,367.51

Less: Estimated Revenues and Credits

Interest and Dividends Tax	$ 1,700.32
Savings Bank Tax	206.95
Meals and Rooms Tax	2,000.00
Revenue from Yield Tax Sources	3,000.00
Gas Tax Refund	300.00
Dog Licenses	250.00
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	5,000.00
Gas from School District	500.00
Resident Taxes	2,460.00
Revenue Sharing	6,000.00
Highway Subsidy	6,745.52
Total Revenue and Credits	$ 28,162.79

Net Town Appropriations	$ 28,204.72
Net School Appropriations	95,387.84
County Tax Assessment	13,672.08
Total of Town, School and County	$137,264.64
Deduct: Total Bus. Profits Tax Reim.	4,492.00
Add: War Service Tax Credits	2,000.00
Add: Overlay	2,134.44
Property Taxes To Be Raised	$136,907.08

TOWN CHARGES

Salaries	$ 3,067.75
Election and Registration	1,677.06
Town Hall and Other Buildings	652.11
Fire Department	1,128.49
Memorial Day and Other Celebrations	1,053.71
Ambulance Service	624.00
Legal Services Including Dog Damage	2,500.05
Zoning	60.45
Interest	403.17
Town Officers Expenses	1,244.83
Total	$ 12,411.62

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES

Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1976

Title of Appropriation	Appropriation	Receipts and Reimburse.	Total Amount Available	Expendi-tures	Balance Unexpended	Overdrafts
Town Charges	$ 16,000.00		$ 16,000.00	$ 12,411.62	$ 4,188.38	
T. R. A.	515.51		515.51	515.51		
Roads (Winter and Summer)	14,000.00	$ 6,745.51	20,745.51	20,961.72*		216.21
Gen. Exp. of the Highway	5,000.00		5,000.00	4,772.15	227.65	
Town Dump	800.00		800.00	1,053.00		253.00
Cemeteries	800.00	341.00	1,141.00	787.65	353.35	
Cutting Brush	750.00		750.00	262.50	487.50	
Capital Reserve—New Equipment	2,000.00		2,000.00	2,000.00		
Street Lights	1,100.00		1,100.00	1,019.33	80.67	
Social Security	1,100.00		1,100.00	790.09	309.91	
Insurance	2,000.00		2,000.00	2,230.00		230.00
Old Age Assistance	3,000.00		3,000.00	1,585.50	1,414.50	
Library	900.00		900.00	900.00		
Newport Area Home Health Agency	468.00		468.00	468.00		
Capital Reserve—Solid Waste	2,000.00		2,000.00	2,000.00		
White Pine Blister Rust	118.00		118.00	118.00		
Police Department	3,001.00		3,001.00	3,277.99		276.99
Upper Valley-Planning Council	215.00		215.00	215.00		
Soil Map	2,000.00		2,000.00	2,000.00		
Totals	$ 56,367.51	$ 7,086.51	$ 63,454.02	$ 57,368.26	$ 7,061.96	$ 976.20

* $10,000.00 Placed in Road Reserve Fund

FINANCIAL REPORT

for the

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1976

BALANCE SHEET

Assets

Cash:		
In hands of treasurer		$ 2,376.65
Capital Reserve Funds:		
Solid Waste	23,901.22	
New Equipment	28,681.13	
Total		$ 52,582.35
Accounts Due to the Town:		
Due from State:		
Joint Highway Construction Accounts, Unexpended Bal. in State Treasury		7,092.69
Unredeemed Taxes:		
Levy of 1975	3,924.14	
Levy of 1974	1,357.11	
Previous Years	607.38	
		$ 5,888.63
Uncollected Taxes:		
Levy of 1976, Incl. Resident Taxes	124,130.03	
Levy of 1975	28,459.72	
Levy of 1974	2,784.75	
Total		$155,374.50
Total Assets		$223,314.82
Grand Total		$223,314.82
Current Surplus, December 31, 1975		$ 3,862.04
Current Surplus, December 31, 1976		44,171.52
Increase of Surplus		$ 48,033.56

Liabilities

Accounts Owed by the Town:		
Unexp. Revenue Sharing Funds	$ 1,526.70	
Due to State:		
2%—Bond & Debt Retirement Taxes Uncollected	830.56	
School District Tax Payable	82,111.00	
Tax Anticipation Notes Outstanding:		
	35,000.00	
Total Accounts Owed by Town		$119,468.26
State and Town Joint Highway Construction Accounts:		
Unexpended balance in State Treasury		7,092.69
Capital Reserve Funds:		
(Offsets similar Asset account)		$ 52,582.35
Total Liabilities		$179,143.30
Current Surplus (Excess of assets over liabilities)		44,171.52
Grand Total		$223,314.82

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JULES H. PELLERIN
DAVID A. SHACKETT
THOMAS A. BALLOU
Selectmen of Croydon

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

Motor Vehicle Permits, 493	$ 7,577.62
Dog Licenses Issued:	
64 Males @ $2.00	128.00
36 Spayed females @ $2.00	72.00
15 Females @ $5.00	75.00
2 Kennel licenses @ $12.00	24.00
38 Penalties @ $1.00	38.00
Half-Year Licenses	
1 Male @ $1.00	1.00
Total	$ 338.00
Less Town Clerk's fees @ 20c each	23.60
	$ 314.40

A paid receipt for your current Resident Tax is necessary to obtain a 'new', 'renewal', or a 'transfer', registration. Many taxpayers are of the erroneous opinion that resident taxes are due only on December first. This is a misinterpretation of RSA 80:1. It is of no consequence that the resident tax bills have not been mailed out, in as much as RSA 80:1 stipulates that "Resident taxes shall be paid to the Collector on demand, without previous notice."

SUMMARY OF TOWN MEETING

March 2, 1976

Town officials elected by ballot were as follows:

Selectman for 3 years	Thomas A. Ballou
Selectman for 2 years	David Shackett
Road Agent for 1 year	Frank Dearden
Trustee of Trust Funds 3 years	Marie Newcomb
Trustee of Trust Funds 1 year	Diane Lurvey
Library Trustee for 3 years	Joyce Walsh
Two Auditors for 1 year	Janice Cummings Janet Pellerin

The Town voted to raise and appropriate a total of $56,367.51 for expenses of the Town which are itemized on page 14 of this report.

No money was appropriated for Planning, the Newport Hospital, or the Dartmouth-Lake Sunapee Region.

The Town voted to transfer funds from the Revenue Sharing Account to the Capital Reserve for New Equipment, $2,500; Solid Waste Fund, $2,500 and any remaining balance to the Tax Map Fund. (We did not receive $5,000 from Revenue Sharing so it was impossible to transfer this amount in full: $2,500 was turned over to the Trustees of the Trust Funds for Capital Reserve for new equipment and the balance will be turned over to the Solid Waste Fund. There will not be money for the Tax Map Fund.)

As in previous years, the Selectmen were empowered to hire money in anticipation of taxes.

Th Interim Zoning, Article 27, was passed with little or no comments.

Article 28, to elect the members of the Planning Board was inserted by petition but no one spoke in favor of it and following very little discussion, the Town voted not to change the present policy of appointments by the Selectmen.

The Town voted to transfer the remaining funds from the Special Bridge Account to the Volunteer Fire Department to purchase fire equipment.

Article 30, Federal flood insurance was passed in the affirmative as written.

Article 31, Building permit system was passed in the affirmative as written.

Several items were considered under the last article, Any other business: The motion was made that there would be no smoking at public meetings at the Town Hall. After some discussion, a vote was taken with 25 in favor of 'No Smoking' and 19 in favor of 'Smoking'.

Margaret Weber felt that Harry Porter should be remembered in the Town Report in some manner.

Cecil Dodge has erected a bulletin board at Croydon Flat and was given a rising vote of thanks.

Eileen Avery thanked the Women's Club for providing Baby Sitters so that Mothers could attend the Town Meeting.

Jules Pellerin thanked the Women's Club in behalf of the Town, for the public address system which they have purchased.

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

SUMMARY OF WARRANTS

Property, Resident and Yield Taxes

Levy of 1976

DR.

Taxes Committed to Collector:			
Property Taxes	$135,183.22		
Resident Taxes	2,640.00		
Total Warrants		$137,823.22	
Yield Taxes		4,928.46	
Added Taxes:			
Resident Taxes	280.00		
		$ 280.00	
Penalties Collected on Resident Taxes		16.00	
Total Debits			$143,047.68

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Remittances to Treasurer:			
Property Taxes	$ 12,663.75		
Resident Taxes	2,140.00		
Yield Taxes	4,097.90		
Penalties on Resident Taxes	16.00		
		$ 18,917.65	
Uncollected Taxes—December 31, 1976:			
(As Per Collector's List)			
Property Taxes	$122,519.47		
Resident Taxes	780.00		
Yield Taxes	830.56		
		$124,130.03	
Total Credits			$143,047.68

SUMMARY OF WARRANTS

Property, Resident and Yield Taxes

Levy of 1975

DR.

Uncollected Taxes—As of January 1, 1976:			
Property Taxes	$ 25,113.28		
Resident Taxes	610.00		
Yield Taxes	2,736.44		
		$ 28,459.72	
Added Taxes:			
Property Taxes	$ 228.70		
Resident Taxes	30.00		
		$ 258.70	
Interest Collected on Delinquent Property Taxes		847.61	
Penalties Collected on Resident Taxes		50.00	
Total Debits			$ 29,616.03

CR.

Remittances to Treasurer During Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1976:			
Property Taxes	$ 25,279.48		
Resident Taxes	520.00		
Yield Taxes	2,736.44		
Interest Collected During Year	847.61		
Penalties on Resident Taxes	50.00		
		$ 29,433.53	
Abatements Made During Year:			
Property Taxes	$ 62.50		
Resident Taxes	110.00		
		172.50	

Uncollected Taxes—December 31, 1976:			
(As Per Collector's List)			
Resident Taxes	$ 10.00		
		10.00	
Total Credits			$ 29,616.03

SUMMARY OF WARRANTS

Property, Resident and Yield Taxes

Levy of 1974

DR.

Uncollected Taxes—As of January 1, 1976:			
Property Taxes	$ 2,784.75		
		$ 2,784.75	
Interest Collected on Delinquent			
Property Taxes		286.33	
Costs		6.90	
Total Debits			$ 3,077.98

CR.

Remittances to Treasurer During Fiscal Year			
Ended December 31, 1976:			
Property Taxes	$ 2,784.75		
Interest Col. During Year	286.33		
Costs	6.90		
		$ 3,077.98	
Total Credits			$ 3,077.98

SUMMARY OF TAX SALES ACCOUNTS

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1976

DR.

	—Tax Sales on Account of Levies of:—			
	1975	1974	1973	Previous Years
Balance of Unredeemed Taxes of January 1, 1976		$3,863.86	$ 724.48	$ 308.22
Taxes Sold to Town During Current Fiscal Year	$5,159.97			
Interest Col. After Sale	33.97	212.28		
Redemption Costs		6.90		
Total Debits	$5,193.94	$4,083.04	$ 724.48	$ 308.22

CR.

Remittances to Treasurer During Year:				
Redemptions	$1,235.83	$2,506.75		
Interest & Costs After Sale	33.97	219.18		
Abatements During Year			$ 117.10	$ 308.22
Unredeemed Taxes—December 31, 1976	3,924.14	1,357.11	607.38	
Total Credits	$5,193.94	$4,083.04	$ 724.48	$ 308.22

TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance January 1, 1976	$ 17,776.39
Total Receipts	121,126.50
Total Payments	136,526.24
Balance	2,376.65

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Receipts

Tax Collector—Taxes	$ 55,417.99
Town Clerk—M. V. Permits	7,577.62
Dog Licenses	314.40
Pistol Permits	10.00
Filing Fees	3.00
Sale of Town Reports	2.00
Supervisors of Check List—Sale of check list	10.00
Town of Grantham—Reimbursement on Fire	71.40
Police Budget—Sale of Gas	436.81
Croydon School District—Sale of Gas	676.95
Jane Perry—Building Permit	1.00
Trustees of T. F.—Care of Cemeteries (Lots)	341.00
Town Treas.—Sale of Bicentennial souvenirs	353.32
Selectmen—Receipts of Bicentennial Dance	92.00
Rent of Town Hall	70.00
F. C. N. Bank—Short-term loans	35,000.00
State of N. H.—Highway subsidy	6,745.51
Gas Tax refund	325.72
½ Fire reimbursement	48.57
Business Profits Tax	4,490.88
Interest and Dividend Tax	1,700.32
Bank Tax	206.95
Rooms and Meals	2,730.50
Class V Roads	4,500.56
	$121,126.50

Special Accounts

Yield Taxes

January 1, 1976 Balance			$ 10,407.14
Jan. 30 Withdrawal for taxes due the Town on Draper Lot		$ 2,736.44	
Withdrawal of the balance of the $4,000.00 deposit, or $1,528.81 (which included interest of 265.25) was returned to Davis & Symonds Lumber Co.		1,528.81	6,141.89
Jan. 30 Davis & Symonds said they did NOT cut on the Frye lot and the original $2,000.00 deposit plus interest of $317.28 was returned to them		2,317.28	3,824.61
Jan. 30 Withdrew $549.08 and interest of $142.88 and returned to Davis & Symonds—the balance due on the $1,000.00 for Draper Lot		691.96	3,132.65
February 1, 1976 Interest	$43.03		3,175.68
Feb. 13 Withdrew $290.40 and interest of $48.95 and returned to Atkinson-Davis Corp.—the balance due on the $400.00 deposit on Martin-Campbell lot		339.35	2,836.33

This system of multi-check deposits for yield taxes became too complex so I closed the account and opened individual accounts on each lot being cut.

Controlled Forest Management, Blue Mt. Forest Section H	420.26
Davis & Symonds Lumber Co. on the Draper Lot at Brighton	2,100.90
Davis & Symonds Lumber Co. on the Sichol Swamp Lot	315.17
Total	$ 2,836.33

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Yield Tax Account for Controlled Forest Management, Blue Mountain Forest Sec. H

February, 1976			$ 420.26
Interest for 1976	$ 16.24		436.50
November 19, 1976 Paid to Tax Collector for yield taxes currently due		$ 436.50	—0—

Yield Tax Account for Davis & Symonds Lumber Co. on the Draper Lot at Brighton

February, 1976			$ 2,100.90
Interest for 1976	$ 81.22		2,182.12
November 19, 1976 Paid to Tax Collector for taxes due		$ 475.75	1,706.37
Paid to Davis & Symonds unused balance plus interest		1,706.37	—0—

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Yield Tax Account for Davis & Symonds Co. on the Sichol Swamp Lot

February, 1976			$ 315.17
Interest for 1976		$ 12.18	327.35
November 19, 1976 Paid to the Tax Collector for yield taxes currently due		$ 327.35	—0—

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Yield Tax Account for P. K. Brown, Inc., for the Stockwell-Davis Lot

Oct. 22, 1976 Opened account with two checks totalling	$225.00	
Interest for 1976	1.32	
Dec. 31 Balance		$ 226.32

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Yield Tax Account for Wayne Simino on the McIvor Lot

June 4, 1976 Opened account with check for	$ 120.00	
Interest for 1976	3.12	
Dec. 31 balance		$ 123.12

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Sadie Muzzey Memorial Park Fund

Contributions from Croydon Residents and Friends of Croydon		$ 1,298.00	
Grant from State of N. H.		1,000.00	
Bank interest for 1976		38.64	2,336.64
Albert Fraser, picnic tables	$ 330.00		
Heath & Field, pipes, tees, elbows, etc.	246.31		

Charles Kuhn, miscel. expenses	77.83		
Croydon Fire Auxiliary, guest tickets for chicken barbeque	30.00		
Frank L. Dearden, bulldozing	1,090.00		
Cote & Reney Lumber Co., lumber	52.47		
K-Ross Building Supply Co., culverts	287.65		
Joseph Howes, for Boy Scout's aid	50.00		
'Now' Account interest		13.25	
Reimbursement from Town of Croydon on culverts		287.65	
Dec. 31, 1976 balance			$ 473.28

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Revenue Sharing

Jan. 1, 1976, Balance			$ 3,163.44
U. S. Government check		$ 1,256.00	
U. S. Government check		1,256.00	
U. S. Government check		1,258.00	
U. S Government check		123.00	
Interest for 1976		133.70	7,190.14
Withdrew and transferred the 1975 balance into the Tax Map Fund	$3,163.44		4,026.70
Withdrew and transferred to Trustees of Trust Funds for Capital Reserve. new equipment	2,500.00		
December 31, 1976, balance			$ 1,526.70

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Zoning Board Account

Jan. 1, 1976, Balance		$ 26.05
Received for public hearing, E. P. E. Corp.	50.00	
Received for public hearing, Bourassa	50.00	
Received for public hearing, J. Bellaria	50.00	
Received for public hearing, S. Carroll	50.00	
Sale of zoning regulations	1.00	
Interest for 1976	5.96	233.01

Paid Argus, notice of meetings	48.60		
Paid Eagle, notice of meeting	9.80		
Reim. William Greeley, postage	29.08		
December 31, 1976, Balance			$ 145.53

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Planning Board Account

Jan. 1, 1976, Balance			$ 662.41
Filing fee for a minor Sub-Division:			
Lawrence Kemp to Fred Bocko		10.00	
Sale of sub-division regulations		16.00	
Building permit		1.00	
Interest for 1976		36.07	725.48
Reim. Ramona Truell, postage	12.43		
Dec. 31, 1976, balance			$ 713.05

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Tax Map Fund

Jan. 1, 1976, balance			$ 7,099.19
Transferred from Revenue Sharing as per vote of Town Meeting 1975		3,163.44	
Interest for 1976		628.63	
Dec. 31, 1976, balance			$ 10,891.26

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Road Reserve Fund

Jan. 1, 1976, balance			$ 3,998.28
State of N. H., check for FDAA 399 DR 4-7 disaster claim, final payment		548.46	
Interest for 1976		310.78	
Transfer of funds from General Account to Road Reserve		10,000.00	
Dec. 31, 1976, balance			$ 14,857.52

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Bridges Account

Jan. 1, 1976, balance			$ 2,177.99
Interest for 1976		76.68	2,256.67
Paid to the Volunteer Fire Dept. for Fire Truck	1,500.00		767.67
Paid to the Volunteer Fire Dept. for Equipment	756.67		
Dec. 31, 1976, balance			—0—

Dry Hydrant Account

Jan. 1, 1976, Balance		$ 1,351.50
Interest for 1976	64.76	
Dec. 31, 1976, Balance		$ 1,416.26

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Soil Map Account (New Account)

Dec. 31, 1976, Account opened with appropriation of 1976 Town Meeting	$ 2,000.00

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PAYROLL

1976 Taxable Wages and Remunerations subject to Social Security. This does not include contracting, Town Fire Warden, work of an emergency nature or Election Officials who receive less that $50.00 in any one quarter.

	Gross Wages	S. S.	W. H.	Net Wages
Ballou, Robert	$ 92.00	$ 5.38		$ 86.62
Ballou, Thomas	500.00	29.25		470.75
Brown, Jr., John	1,234.00	72.18	155.30	1,006.52
Dearden, Frank	2,073.00	121.28	187.10	1,764.62
Dearden, Robert	105.00	6.15		98.85
Durgin, Louis	37.50	2.19		35.31
Fogg, Katharine	35.00	2.08		32.92
Gross, Rita (Treas.)	300.00	17.55	45.00	237.45
(Clerk)	753.50	44.08	105.00	604.42
Hansen, Roderick	1,762.20	103.09		1,659.11
Holmes, Frank	98.70	5.25		84.45
Howes, Joseph	16.00	.94		15.06
Newcomb, Harry	122.00	7.14		114.86
Newcomb, Veronica	647.73	37.89		609.84
Pellerin, Janet	35.00	2.08		32.92
Pellerin, Jules A.	1,058.85	61.94	116.20	880.71
Pellerin, Jules H.	500.00	32.18		517.82
Perry, Allen	1,731.00	100.65	180.42	1,449.93
Perry, Mark	450.00	26.34	27.10	396.56
Shackett, David	500.00	29.25		470.75
Shull, Joseph	903.00	52.93		850.07
	$12,995.48	$ 759.82	$ 816.12	$11,419.54

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Description	Value
Town Hall, Lands and Buildings	$ 30,000.00
Furniture and Equipment	2,400.00
Libraries, Lands and Buildings	3,000.00
Furniture and Equipment	500.00
Police Department, Equipment	500.00
Fire Department, Equipment	3,000.00
Highway Department, Lands and Buildings	10,000.00
Equipment	10,000.00
Materials and Supplies	500.00
Schools, Lands and Buildings	10,000.00
Equipment	1,000.00
All Lands and Buildings acquired through Tax Collector's deeds	
Champney Lot	2,000.00
Benoit Lot	750.00
Cronin Lot	3,500.00
Total	$ 77,150.00

RECEIPTS

Current Revenue:

From Local Taxes:

(Collected and remitted to Treas.)	$ 55,417.99	
Property Taxes—Current Year—1976	12,663.75	
Resident Taxes—Current Year—1976	2,140.00	
Yield Taxes—Current Year—1976	4,097.90	
Total Current Year's Taxes Collected and Remitted		18,901.65
Property Taxes and Yield Taxes—Previous Years		30,800.67
Resident Taxes—Previous Years		520.00
Interest received on Delinquent Taxes		1,133.94
Penalties		66.00
Tax sales redeemed		3,995.73

From State:

For Highways and Bridges:	
For Class V Highway maintenance	4,500.56
Highway Subsidy	6,745.51
Interest and dividends tax	1,700.32
Savings Bank Tax	206.95
Fighting forest fires	48.57
Meals and Rooms Tax	2,730.50
Reimbursement a-c Business Profits Tax	4,490.88

From Local Sources, Except Taxes:

Dog Licenses	314.40
Business licenses, permits and filing fees	14.00
Rent of town property	70.00
Grantham—Fire Department	71.40
Income from trust funds	314.00
Income from departments	
Fire Department and School—Gas	1,113.76
Receipts—Bicentennial	445.32
Motor vehicle permits	7,577.62
Total Current Revenue Receipts	$ 85,788.78

CLASSIFICATION

Payments for the Year Ended December 31, 1976

PAYMENTS

Current Maintenance Expenses:

General Government:

Town officers' salaries		$ 3,345.73
Town officers' expenses		976.85
Election and registration expenses		1,677.06
Expenses town hall and other town buildings		652.11

Protection of Persons and Property:

Police department		3,277.99
Fire department, including forest fires		1,128.49
Blister Rust		118.00
Planning and Zoning		60.45
Damage by dogs		310.00
Insurance		2,230.00
Cutting Brush		262.50

Health:

Health department, including hospitals & ambulance		1,176.00
Vital statistics		10.50
Town dumps and garbage removal		1,053.00

Highways and Bridges:

Town Road Aid		515.51
Town Maintenance—		
Summer	$3,697.11	
Winter	7,264.61	10,961.72
Street lighting		1,019.43
Gen. Expenses of Highway Dept.		4,772.15

RECEIPTS

Receipts Other than Current Revenue:

Proceeds of Tax Anticipation Notes	35,000.00	
Refunds—Gasoline Tax	325.00	
Sale of town property	12.00	
Total Receipts Other than Current Revenue		$ 35,337.72
Total Receipts from All Sources		$121,126.50
Cash on hand January 1, 1976		17,776.39
Grand Total		$138,902.89

CLASSIFICATION

Payments for the Year Ended December 31, 1976

PAYMENTS		
Libraries:	900.00	
Public Welfare:		
Old age assistance	1,585.50	
Town Poor	130.17	
Patriotic Purposes:		
Memorial Day	1,053.71	
Public Service Enterprises:		
Cemeteries, including hearse hire	787.65	
Unclassified:		
Damages and legal expenses		2,190.05
Advertising and Regional Associations	215.00	
Taxes bought by town	5,159.97	
Discounts, Abatements and refunds	975.02	
Total Current Maintenance Expenses		$120,123.07
Debt Service:		
Paid on tax anticipation notes	403.17	
Total Interest Payments		$ 403.17
Capital Outlay:		
Payments to capital reserve funds	14,000.00	
Tax maps	2,000.00	
Total Outlay Payments		$ 16,000.00
Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:		
Taxes paid to County	13,672.08	
Payments to School Districts (1975 tax $44,115.34) (1976 Tax $15,000.00)	59,116.34	
Total Payments to Other Governmental Divisions		$ 72,788.42
Total Payments for all Purposes		$136,526.24
Cash on hand December 31, 1976		2,376.65
Grand Total		$138,902.89

DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

Town Officers' Salaries

Rita Gross	$ 1,043.00
Jules H. Pellerin	550.00
David Shackett	500.00
Thomas Ballou	500.00
Veronica Newcomb	647.73
Janet S. Pellerin	35.00
Katharine C. Fogg	35.00
Harry P. Newcomb	35.00
Total	$ 3,345.73

Town Officers' Expenses

New Hampshire Municipal Association	$ 205.00
Brown and Saltmarsh	202.91
Barrett Press	18.20
Argus-Champion	22.56
Wheeler and Clark	27.19
Jules H. Pellerin	26.86
Katharine C. Fogg	8.50
Thomas Ballou	16.00
First Citizens National Bank	10.19
David Shackett	74.47
N. H. Tax Collectors Association	10.00
Homestead Press	31.11
Rita Gross	253.46
Veronica Newcomb	26.00
Branham Publishers	12.60
Treasurer, State of N. H.	6.80
N. H. Association of Conservation Commissions	25.00
Total	$ 976.85

Election and Registration

Willis H. Ballou, Sr.	$ 120.00
Ballot Clerks	195.00

Barrett Press	950.55
Argus-Champion	26.51
Supervisors of the Checklist	385.00
Total	$ 1,677.06

Planning and Zoning

Eagle Publications	$ 30.00
Jules H. Pellerin	6.75
Barrett Press	11.30
Argus-Champion	12.40
Total	$ 60.45

Town Hall and Other Buildings

Utilgas Flame, Inc.	$ 31.74
Coniston Store	4.99
Public Service Company of N. H.	167.08
Jules H. Pellerin	142.55
George Gross	21.00
Harry P. Newcomb	39.00
Joseph Howes	16.00
Goodrich Oil Co.	72.05
Osgoods Plumbing and Heating	16.00
Valley Forge Flag Co.	16.72
Hollands Electric	52.51
Martin Hardware	2.47
Shepards Plumbing Supplies	70.00
Total	$ 652.11

Police Department

C & R Service Center	$ 311.29
Overlake Distributors	78.61
Moreys Uniforms	162.70
Car-Go	75.98
Roderick Hansen	1,842.75
Radio Shack	19.00
Frank Holmes	89.70
AA Auto Parts	119.23
Barrett Press	16.45
William Walsh	6.00

Patten Auto Body	18.00
Robert Ballou	92.00
R & L Auto Parts	9.47
Croydon Highway Department	436.81
Total	$ 3,277.99

Fire Including Forest Fires

Forest Fire Wardens	$ 71.40
State of N. H., Forest Fire Bill	247.34
Town of Newport	52.00
Croydon Fire Department	750.00
Harry P. Newcomb	7.75
Total	$ 1,128.49

Health Department Including Hospitals

Newport Area Home Health Agency	$ 468.00
Harry P. Newcomb	84.00
Town of Newport	624.00
Total	$ 1,176.00

Town Dump

Joseph Shull	$ 903.00
John Brown	45.00
Cecil Bridgeo	105.00
Total	$ 1,053.00

Summer Roads

Roger Avery	$ 144.90
Allen Perry	309.00
John Brown	208.50
Frank Dearden	1,376.95
Jules A. Pellerin	173.25
Robert Dearden	115.00
Pike Industries	58.10
Louis Durgin	37.50
Newport Sand & Gravel	201.91

Northeast Culvert Co.	970.40
Harry P. Newcomb	9.00
United Construction Co.	92.60
Total	$ 3,697.11

Winter Roads

Frank Dearden	$ 1,845.00
Allen Perry	1,497.00
Newport Sand & Gravel	910.05
Howard Barton	25.00
John Brown	920.50
Jules A. Pellerin	830.60
International Salt	320.71
Morton Salt	885.75
Cecil Bridgeo	30.00
Total	$ 7,264.61

1976 APPROPRIATIONS

Town Charges		$ 16,600.00
Salaries	$ 4,500.00	
Election and Registration	1,800.00	
Town Hall	2,000.00	
Fire Department	2,500.00	
Memorial Day	100.00	
Ambulance	2.000.00	
Legal Service	2,000.00	
Zoning	200.00	
Interest	500.00	
Town Officers' Expenses	1,000.00	
State Road Aid		515.51
Roads		14,000.00
General Expense of the Highway		5,000.00
Town Dump		800.00
Cemeteries		800.00
Cutting Brush		750.00
Capital Reserve, New Equipment		2,000.00
Street Lights		1,100.00
Social Security		1,100.00

Insurance	2,000.00
Old Age Assistance	3,000.00
Library	900.00
Newport Area Home Health Agency	468.00
Capital Reserve, Solid Waste	2,000.00
White Pine Blister Rust	118.00
Police Department	3,001.00
Upper Valley Planning Council	215.00
Soil Map	2,000.00
Total	$ 56,367.51

General Maintenance of the Highway Department

Kibbey Equipment	$ 90.30
Cote and Reney	62.71
Barney Bass	50.21
Jackson Inspection and Repair	13.00
Kelton Motors	350.89
Goodrich Oil Co.	278.87
Utilgas Flame	27.01
LaValley Building Supply	335.61
Agway Petroleum	2,469.48
Vaines of Croydon	146.97
R. N. Johnson	47.61
Dulacs Hardware	36.00
Martin Hardware	17.39
Rowell Bros.	12.00
R & L Auto Parts	35.95
Hathorns Inc.	122.19
Gulf Oil	123.20
Texaco	52.13
Stetson Blacksmith	191.25
Roger Avery	12.60
Newport Rentals	105.76
AA Auto Parts	113.29

H. D. Harris	3.49
Jules A. Pellerin	20.00
Jules H. Pellerin	25.60
Chadwick Ba-Ross	15.80
Coniston Store	12.84
Total	$ 4,772.15

Memorial Day and Other Celebrations

Johnson Ben Franklin	(Memorial Day)	$ 39.65
Bicentennial Band	(Bicentennial)	250.00
Coniston Store	(Bicentennial)	47.06
Roderick Hansen	(Bicentennial)	20.00
Barrett Press	(Bicentennial)	6.45
LaValley Building Supply	(Bicentennial)	17.90
Argus-Champion	(Bicentennial)	385.00
Bicentennial Park Committee	(Bicentennial)	287.65
Total		$ 1,053.71

Tabular Statement of Trust Funds Income and Expenditures Dec. 31, 1976

Date of Creation	Name of Fund and Purpose	Balance Beginning Year	Balance End Year	Balance Beginning Year	Income During Year	Expended During Year	Balance End Year
1804	School Fund, Schools	$ 1,589.64	$1,691.74	$1,589.64	$ 102.10	— —	$1,691.74
1903	Asa Davis, Davis Cemetery	150.00	150.00	19.79	10.09	4.00	25.88
1911	Gilman Whipple, Burial lot	200.00	200.00	38.70	14.17	4.00	48.87
1913	Hannah Stevens, Burial lot	50.00	50.00	6.52	3.35	4.00	5.87
1917	Kate Clark, Burial lot	50.00	50.00	6.52	3.35	4.00	5.87
1920	Baldwin Humphrey, Burial lot	100.00	100.00	16.03	6.89	4.00	18.92
1924	Harriet Cooper, Burial lot	100.00	100.00	16.03	6.89	4.00	18.92
1928	Almon Coon, Burial lot	100.00	100.00	16.03	6.89	4.00	18.92
1928	Albert Parlin, Flat Church	10,000.00	10,000.00	— —	929.47	929.47	— —
1930	Hilliard Sanborn, Burial lot	500.00	500.00	92.17	35.16	4.00	123.33
1941	Louisa Bailey, Burial lots	75.00	75.00	11.27	5.13	4.00	12.40
1950	Albert Barton, Burial lot	200.00	200.00	38.70	14.17	4.00	48.87
1951	John A. Barton, Burial lot	100.00	100.00	16.03	6.89	4.00	18.92
1951	Clinton Barton, E. Village Church	2,000.00	2,000.00	— —	185.90	185.90	— —
1951	DeWitt Barton, Burial lots	200.00	200.00	38.70	14.17	4.00	48.87
1951	Town of Croydon, Capital Res., New Equip.	22,736.91	28,681.13	— —	— —	— —	— —
1968	Orrin Pillsbury, Croydon F. Cem.	5,000.00	5,455.28	167.53	465.44	285.00	347.97
1969	Walter Nelson, Burial lots	100.00	100.00	16.03	6.89	4.00	18.92
1969	Town of Croydon, Tri-Centennial Fund	142.57	151.86	— —	— —	— —	— —
1971	Capital Reserve Fund, Solid Waste Disposal	20,607.09	23,901.22	— —	— —	— —	— —
1971	Croydon Cem. Fund, Cem. Care	825.00	1,025.00	97.03	55.37	— —	152.40
1973	Louis A. Holbritter, Burial lots	500.00	500.00	92.20	35.16	4.00	123.36
1976	Bain-Kidder, Burial lots	500.00	500.00	— —	— —	— —	— —
	New Funds Created $6,700.00	$65,826.21	$75,831.23	$2,278.92	$1,907.48	$1,456.37	$2,730.03
	Capital Gains Dividends 3,305.02						

This is to certify that the information contained in this report is complete and correct, to the best of our knowledge and belief.

MARIE NEWCOMB
DIANE LURVEY
PATRICIA SAWYER
Trustees

February 10, 1977

TRUSTEE'S REPORT

ON THE

CROYDON TOWN LIBRARY

Receipts

Balance	December 31, 1975	$	136.75	
May	Good Neighbor Club		75.00	
June	Town of Croydon		450.00	
	Interest SRSB		.98	
September	Town of Croydon		450.00	
	Interest SRSB		3.05	
November	Interest SRSB		4.33	
				$ 1,120.11

Payments

January	Yankee, Inc. 1 yr. sub.	$	7.00
February	Gas		6.21
	Consumer Report 1 yr. sub.		11.00
March	Rodale Press, Inc.		10.84
	Gas		8.24
	U. S. News and World Report 1 yr. sub.		18.00
April	Audubon Society of N. H.		5.00
May	Donna Leslie, petty cash		15.00
	Gas		8.11
June	Project TRY (Little Red Wagon)		55.00
	Books		33.31
	Dartmouth Book Store		165.21
	N. H. Library Trustees' dues		9.00
July	N. H. Profiles 2 yrs sub.		18.00
	Books		13.49
August	Books		9.97
	Barrett Press		13.90
	National Geographic World		5.85

September	Books	16.84	
October	State of N. H. Soc. Sec. 1975	40.96	
	Books	22.07	
November	Gas	9.59	
	Books	35.24	
	Dorothy Ballou, stamps	3.90	
	Newsweek 2 yrs. sub.	42.00	
	Donna Leslie, salary	329.52	
	State of N. H. Soc. Sec. 1976	40.06	
December	Books	2.14	
			$ 956.35
	Sugar River Savings Bank		89.74
	Citizens National Bank		74.02
			$ 1,120.11

PEARL MCINTOSH

DOROTHY E. BALLOU, Treas.

JOYCE WALSH

CROYDON TOWN LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

The Croydon Town Library probably made history this year. We actually discarded more books than we acquired. Miss Susan Palmetier, consultant from the N. H. State Library offered her knowledge of "Weeding" unused books from the library. For three days we went through the books discarding those not used in over ten years. I was more than a little nervous when I saw the empty shelves, but there's room to put a book so it can be seen, not hidden. I received many positive remarks so I think it was a move in the right direction.

As in the past, the Good Neighbor Club donated $75.00 for the Little Red Wagon, a theatrical group from U.N.H. They performed in July for old and young alike.

Statistics show only 129 new books added to our collection—517 discarded. Books have risen greatly in price and only this amount exhausted our budget. Borrowed books: Juvenile 2,371; adult 1,063; magazines 279; records 17. Our magazine circulation has almost doubled from last year. We offer a good selection: Newsweek; U. S. News and World Report; Consumer Reports; National Geographic; Yankee; Organic Gardening; Profiles; Readers Digest; World; Young Miss; and Highlights.

Bi-weekly films are shown to audiences at the Croydon Village School courtesy of the N. H. State Library.

Our Booksale wasn't very prosperous so the Croydon Volunteer Fire Department received our leftovers for their auction.

I thank you all for the generous gifts: Magazines, cookbooks, memorial gifts. It's through your sharing that we prosper.

Drop by Thursdays from 2:00 to 5:00. In April, evening hours will resume. We're expecting a record year in 1977. Many new faces have been added in 1976, but we've lost a few of our old patrons. Come in and see us, we'll help you in any way we can.

Respectfully,

DONNA LESLIE

REPORT OF TOWN AUDIT

Town of Croydon, N. H.

Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1976

Revenue Sharing Fund

Statement of Revenue, Expenditures, Encumbrances and Fund Balance

Available Funds, January 1, 1976		$ 4,419.44
Add Revenue:		
Entitlement Payments	$ 3,893.00	
Interest	133.70	
		4,026.70
Total Available Funds		$ 8,446.14
Less Expenditures:		
Capital Expenditures:		
Multipurpose and Gen. Government	$ 2,500.00	
Economic Development	3,163.44	
Total Capital Expenditures		$ 5,663.44
Total Expenditures		5,663.44
Available Cash—December 31, 1976		$ 1,526.70
Less: Encumbrances (Appropriations Authorized) December 31, 1976		
Capital Outlay:		
Health	1,526.70	
Total Capital Encumbrances		$ 1,526.70

Auditors Town of Croydon, N. H.

JANET S. PELLERIN

JANICE D. CUMMINGS

February 10, 1977

REPORT OF DISTRICT FIRE CHIEF AND TOWN FOREST FIRE WARDEN

Since its beginning in 1893, the State Forestry Department has recognized the fact that forest fire prevention and suppression is a joint state and town or city responsibility. Local authorities recommend names of persons to the State Forester, who appoints one person as town or city fire warden and several other persons as town or city deputy fire wardens to a three year term.

The local forest fire warden controls the kindling of all outside fires, when the ground is not covered with snow, by issuing a written permit for kindling a fire. Permits are only issued at such times and in such places as the fire warden deems as safe.

The State Forest Fire Service trains the local forest fire organization in modern forest fire prevention and suppression tactics. The State also provides backup personnel and equipment for suppression and prevention activities.

The combination of State and local forces has resulted in one of the smallest acreage loss due to forest fires in the United States for the past 20 years.

1976 Forest Fire Statistics

	No. of Fires	No. of Acres
State	746	294
District	44	24
Town	0	0

GERALD S. GROSS
District Fire Chief

HARRY NEWCOMB
Forest Fire Warden

1976 CROYDON POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT

The Croydon Police Department would like to thank the residents of Croydon who have supported our police department this past year and before. A police officer's job is a difficult one, being called upon at any time, 24 hours a day, and occasionally these times are inconvenient for the officer, but he will respond to a call because he has sworn to uphold his duties as a police officer and to perform a most vital task that necessitates specialized training. I have attended the New Hampshire Police Standards and Training Council in attempting to gain knowledge which will prepare me to carry on my duties in a highly professional manner. The policeman's job is not one which makes friends and it is not felt only by the officer, but by every member of his family. He therefore, is a most dedicated person to take some of the humiliation and insults which are brought forth by some people, who do not support a police department in a small area like ours.

We thoroughly appreciate all who have called on us to report any suspicious acts going on in town. We would rather be called out anytime and find an incident perfectly intact, than not to have been called out at all, and learn of a crime by someone later, who did not want to get involved at the time.

If you should observe or suspect a crime in our town, PLEASE CALL, Chief Roderick Hansen, 863-2004 or Newport Area Dispatch 863-3232 and they will notify the officer on call.

We would also like to thank the Newport Police Department and the New Hampshire State Police for the cooperation throughout the year in the many ways they have given their assistance in the process of law enforcement, and the "Yankee 5 Watters" for the thoughtful as-

isstance when needed, especially at Halloween with added persons on patrol to protect our children during this busy weekend.

RODERICK N. HANSEN, Chief
FRANK HOLMES, Special Officer
ROBERT BALLOU, Special Officer
JOSEPH HOWES, Special Officer

Calls and Complaints Received by the Croydon Police Department

Motor Vehicle Accidents	11
Burglaries and Break-Ins	8
Untimely Death	1
Missing Persons	3
Emergency Messages to Deliver	6
Prowler or Suspicious Person	4
Criminal Mischief	8
Disturbance and Noise	5
Traffic at Fires	2
Snow Machines	4
Disabled Vehicles Assistance	6
Abandoned Vehicle	2
Motor Vehicle Complaints	12
Dog Complaints	23
Littering Complaints	2
Trespass Complaints	6
Theft Complaints	9
Emergency Transportation	3
Parade	1
Trees Down on Power Lines	2
Total Calls	127

Actions Taken on Calls and Complaints and Violations Observed by Police Officers While on Routine Patrol

Arrests	9
Summons	63
Warnings	54
Dog Restraining Orders	4

Arrests and Summonses are for the Following:

D. W. I.	4
Speeding	50
Unregistered M/V	5
Littering	2
Defective Equipment	2
Operating without a license	3
Misuse of Plates	1
Solid Line Violation	2
Failure to Restrain Dogs	1
Passing School Bus	1
Operating without Muffler	1

The Police Department also had to collect "23" overdue dog registration Fees.

Stolen Property Recovered in Croydon:

Sevenal Signs taken from the intersection of Pine Hill and Cash Street.

One stolen motor vehicle stolen from Newport, N. H.

NEWPORT AREA HOME HEALTH AGENCY

Newport, New Hampshire

December 22, 1976

To the Board of Selectmen, Town of Croydon:

This letter is meant to accompany the 1977 budget for the Newport Area Home Health Agency. This year we are requesting $1.50 per capita which is the same as last year. Each town serviced by the agency will be assessed at this same rate. Any individual who is a citizen of the towns covered by the agency who requests services not provided by the agency will be referred to a service which can help him or her.

Certain items in our proposed budget are higher than last year's figures such as salaries, rent, telephone, dues and subscriptions and insurance. We have hired two directors and have found it hard to find and keep qualified personnel it is necessary to pay salaries in line with other nursing salaries in the state. We are slowly raising our salaries for the full and part-time R.N.s' comparable to those at Newport Hospital.

Our new director, Mrs. Roberta Leary, possesses a B.S. in nursing as well as five years experience in Public Health in Norwalk, Connecticut. She comes to us with excellent recommendations. To employ nurses of this caliber, one must pay in accordance with guidelines set up for the New England area.

We have had two moves which in part explains rent and telephone increases, and as in most areas of health services, malpractice insurance rates have increased, both for nursing and for agency liability.

It cannot be over emphasized that the Federal Grant obtained during the latter part of 1976 and to cover 1977 is a one time only, non-renewable grant and has rigid restrictions on its use. The monies from this grant cannot

be used for the maintenance and day to day operational expenses of the agency.

In 1976 we offered immunization clinics held every other month. Three hundred children were seen and a total of 700 immunizations administered.

In our monthly Well Child Clinics over 100 children have been seen on a continuing basis.

There were approximately 1420 visits to patients in 1976. These patients not covered by insurance (Medicare, Medicaide, Blue Cross, Blue Shield) were paid for in accordance with the sliding scale based on ability to pay. No one ever was refused services because of inability to pay.

Mrs. Barbara Ashford, R.P.T. made 300 visits during 1976 in which patients were aided in regaining the use of muscles rendered weak because of strokes, fractures, etc.

We feel that we are rendering to all participating towns a much needed service. Patients no longer need to spend as much time in the hospital as they can recover more rapidly at home in familiar surroundings.

President, Board of Trustees

Very truly yours,

ELEESE B. CONROY

NEWPORT AREA HOME HEALTH AGENCY

PROPOSED BUDGET 1/1/77 — 12/31/77

Agency Operating Expenses

1. Salaries	
Director	$ 9,300.00
RN's Full Time	8,770.00
Part Time	2,300.00
Clerical Full Time	5,565.00

Part Time		725.00
FICA & State Taxes		2,200.00
	Subtotal	$ 28,860.00
2. Transportation		
R. N.'s		1,530.00
Clerk		120.00
	Subtotal	$ 1,650.00
3. Purchased Services		
PT		3,000.00
Mileage		150.00
	Subtotal	$ 3,150.00
4. Nursing Supplies		200.00
	Subtotal	$ 200.00
5. Space		
Rent		1,500.00
	Subtotal	$ 1,500.00
6. Office Cost		
Stationery, Postage		500.00
Telephone		900.00
	Subtotal	$ 1,400.00
7. Other General Costs		
Equipment		360.00
Legal/Acct. Fees		200.00
Staff Education		150.00
Insurance		350.00

Dues & Subscriptions		500.00
Physicals		50.00
Advertising		15.00
Janitorial Service		120.00
	Subtotal	$ 1,745.00
	Total	$ 38,505.00

Grant Operating Expense

1. Salaries		11,750.00
	Subtotal	$ 11,750.00
2. Transportation		
R. N.'s		550.00
	Subtotal	$ 550.00
7. Equipment		450.00
	Subtotal	$ 450.00
	Total	$ 51,255.00

Agency Operating Income

Medicare—R. N.'s		$ 14,500.00
Medicare—PT		3,200.00
Welfare		2,000.00
VA		600.00
MM—BCBS		1,000.00
	Subtotal	$ 21,300.00
Direct Fees		500.00
	Subtotal	$ 500.00

Restricted Income		
MCH Grant		2,882.00
WCC		76.50
Planned Parenthood		100.00
	Subtotal	$ 3,058.50
Other		
Contributions		40.00
Interest		444.00
	Subtotal	$ 484.00
Town Appropriations		13,162.50
	Subtotal	$ 13,162.50
		$ 38,505.00
Grant Income		12,750.00
	Subtotal	$ 12,750.00
	Total	$ 51,255.00

NEWPORT AMBULANCE SERVICE

The Newport Ambulance Service answered 494 calls during 1976. The Ambulance Service, the vehicles, and the crew members are all licensed with the state and meet all regulations. The members are licensed "Emergency Medical Technicians", and Advanced Red Cross members.

Coverage to the area towns has continued this year. Each town that we have covered with service has helped to support the Ambulance Service with tax assistence based on population, at $2.00 per head. The Ambulance Service hopes to continue service to all communities in our area again in 1977.

The Ambulance Service has also responded to all major fires, in all communities. This is added protection of life and limb to all concerned.

The Newport Police Department has continued to serve as our dispatcher and has proven very valuable to our service and response time. Our telephone number for emergencies is 863-2355.

The crew consists of: Royal Wallace, III, Director; Albert Gobin, Paul Duling, Orren Barton, Mike Patten, Walt Patten, Tom Clough, Gordon Blood, Babe Frye, Terry Frye, Sandra Wallace, Robert Billings, Warren Jensen, Arthur Harris, Jerri-Sue Young, and Gary Nichols.

Respectfully submitted,

ROYAL A. WALLACE, III

Director

REPORT OF THE HIGHWAY AGENT

On October 24, 1976, the Board of Selectmen appointed me to the position of Road Agent. The first two months were spent fixing the equipment to be ready for winter and trying to get the roads in shape to plow.

The winter so far has not been too bad as far as snow is concerned, however there has been a lot of sanding that has had to be done.

The equipment is now in fairly good shape. We are doing a lot of preventive maintenance and hope that it will last for a few years more.

Please notice the article in the Town Warrant requesting a new small truck and sand hopper. We feel that if a small truck is bought that this can be used for summer work and for plowing light snow as well as being used to sand with. This will mean less work for the big truck and it can be operated for less than half of the cost of operating the big truck. We feel that the big truck will last for a few years longer by using the small truck for all light work.

I wish to thank everyone who has made this job much easier with their help and cooperation.

JOHN BROWN, JR.

Highway Agent

REPORT OF PLANNING BOARD

Due primarily to a lack of activity in the real estate market, very few sub-divisions were processed in the past year.

However, your Planning Board has been very busy with other matters of concern to the town in general.

Preparation of a comprehensive community plan is a major responsibility of the Planning Board. This has required a great amount of preliminary work but is well on its way toward completion.

To promote the health and general welfare of our town and to control indiscriminate growth within our town borders and to prevent any number of violent changes which could seriously affect our tax structure, a great deal of time and effort has gone into the preparation of a revised zoning ordinance to replace the interim zoning ordinance which expires in March 1977. Preliminary hearings on this revised ordinance will be held and the final draft will be ready for presentation at the next Town Meeting.

Because of changing conditions and the enactment of new and the revision of old statutes, we find it necessary to revise certain of our subdivision regulations and to adopt an Access to Highway regulation.

Our primary goal in all these deliberations has been to adopt these regulations to the character of our town and its peculiar suitability for particular uses, in accordance with the wishes of the vast percentage of the residents of our town as determined by a house to house survey, conducted by your planning board.

We take this opportunity to express our gratitude to the Upper Valley-Lake Sunapee Council for their assistance in certain matters.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT BURNSIDE, Chairman
RAMONA TRUELL, Secretary
WILLIAM WALSH
DAVID SHACKETT
FREDERICK HURD

REPORT OF THE
CROYDON VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

Fire Equipment Fund

Town of Cornish	$ 1,500.00
Gilbert Welding Inc.	921.15
Total	$ 2,421.15
Received from Town	2,256.67
Overdraft paid from Fire Department Funds	$ 164.48

Building Repair Fund

L. E. Weed	$ 132.50
R. P. Johnson	125.73
Rowell Bros.	48.06
Cote & Reney	302.33
H. P. Newcomb, Reimbursement	86.15
Jules Pellerin, Reimbursement	55.23
Total	$ 750.00
Received from Town	$ 750.00

REPORT OF
CROYDON VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

As our Bicentennial year 1976 is drawn to a close, and all of the gay and festive events of two-hundred years of history have come to an end, it is quite appropriate to note that a new page is to be written in our Town's History.

For it was, with a great many questions and much enthusiasm that a small group of men met at the Town Hall this past April to contemplate the need for organizing a volunteer fire department in the Town of Croydon. After several such meetings, it was decided that we could not and should not labor under the false impression that Fire Departments from our neighboring towns would always be available to our immediate call. We realized that their commitment was to their towns first and Croydon second.

I do not wish or intend to belittle their organizations but to justify ours.

The founding of any organization presents many problems and when finance is one of them the road is all up hill. At the 1976 Town Meeting ($2,256.67) was transferred from the Special Bridge Fund to a Fire Department Fund which greatly aided in the purchase, from Cornish, of a 1953 Ford pumper truck. Again on (Aug 15, 1976) through the efforts of the District Chief "Bud" Gross we were able to lease a surplus military vehicle from the Department of Resources and of Economic Development. This truck came to us as a cargo carrier, but, through the generous gift of a used fuel tank from Philip Corbett of Corbett Oil Company, Newport, we were again on the move. Our latest venture was a trip to New Jersey to inspect a surplus military fire truck, which is still in the paper work stages at this time.

All of this combined with the purchase of a new portable pump, four hundred feet of fire hose, two Plectron radio receivers and numerous other pieces of fire equipment would never have been possible without the ever present efforts of the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Croydon Volunteer Fire Department who contributed many dollars and considerable time and assistance toward the betterment of Croydon's Fire Department.

Through the able and charitable assistance of Jules Pellerin we were able to rewire the old town sheds and install a used oil fired furnace.

A new overhead door and general upgrading of the sheds made it suitable as temporary headquarters for the Fire Department.

It would be impossible to put into words or itemize the amount of assistance we have received from our neighboring towns and the residents and summer residents of the Town of Croydon. It is hoped they realize our sincere gratitude goes out to each and every one of them.

Our goal for this year is the purchase of a piece of land and possibly the building of a new fire house. Our goal is set too high you say!! Maybe, but with the encouragement and assistance we have been receiving, nothing is impossible.

LADIES AUXILIARY OF THE CROYDON VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

To the townspeople of Croydon, N. H.:

The ladies auxiliary of the Croydon Volunteer Fire Department held their first meeting on April 15, 1976. Election of officers took place: President, Gail Archambault; Vice President, Beryl Sanborn; Treasurer, Marie Newcomb and Secretary, Elsie Dearden.

On May 12, 1976, two Cornish Auxiliary representatives attended our meeting, helping us with basic outlines for forming a new auxiliary. By-laws were also adopted at this time.

The purpose of the auxiliary is to raise money for the Croydon Volunteer Fire Department.

Through the joint efforts of the townspeoople, the fire department and the auxiliary, several suppers were held with total assets amounting to $1,047.26. A July 4th buffet for the chicken barbeque sponsored by Croydon Volunteer Fire Department and auction brought our total assets to $1,497.54.

These affairs allowed us to purchase several new items for the Auxiliary, plus joint purchase of two plectrons which are communication devices used between Croydon and Newport for fire alert system, and 400 feet of hose. Leaving a reserve for future use.

Respectfully submitted,

ELSIE DEARDEN, Treasurer

THE CROYDON CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Over ninety people attended the annual Christmas candlelight service. Men, women, and children came to celebrate the birth of Christ in the true Christmas spirit.

Reverend Arthur Kennan, our minister will be retiring on January 23rd, 1977, after seven years of service with our church. We will be having a new minister, Reverend Anderson, as soon as he is released from his yoke parish in Andover and Salisbury. Reverend Kennan will be missed by all. Reverend Anderson lives in Enfield and will travel to Croydon for our services.

Our church has continued its union with Croydon Flat church having services there in June, July, and August.

A ham supper was put on and very well attended by the townspeople.

The church officers for 1976 were: Minister, Rev. Arthur Kennan; Deacons, Edward Hunt, Jesse Hawkins; Treasurer, Jesse Hawkins; Clerk, Gail Archambault; Mission Representative, Eleanor Hunt; Trustees, Mrs. Willis Ballou, Mrs. Leroy Persons. Services are held at 10:00 A. M. every Sunday and all are invited to attend.

Respectfully submitted,

GAIL ARCHAMBAULT, Clerk

GOOD NEIGHBOR CLUB REPORT

The Good Neighbors Club led an extremely busy Bicentennial year.

We began the year with a Special Open House meeting so that all the town could attend and hear Rita Gross' "Unpublished History of Croydon". Many people attended and we all learned quite a bit about how it was in Croydon.

On Town Meeting Day we had our annual bake sale of items baked by the members and served lunch and dinner to all the workers.

After the formation of our new Fire Department we made a contribution to help the department get started.

For another year the women in the club planted petunias at all the road signs where the ground was plantable.

The club held a Heritage Day at the request of the Bicentennial Committee. On display were many antique items from around town, everything from dishes and kitchen supplies to clothing, dolls, quilts, books and old coins and military paraphenalia, old furniture and rugs. Lemonade, switzel and ginger cookies were sold at 2c a glass, cookies free.

We had quilters quilting, and a wood carver carving, rug braiders, a soap maker and candle dippers as well as a trapper camp made by the Boy Scouts.

Once again the club paid to bring the Little Red Wagon Show to town to entertain the children.

Our annual Bazaar was held as usual in July. This is our big fund raiser every year. With these funds we buy gifts for all Croydon people who are hospitalized, cards when they are sick at home, sympathy gifts for deaths in town, bank accounts for all new born babies, wedding presents for any residents who get married each year and graduation presents for all high school graduates, as well as any other project that we decide on during the year and the annual Christmas Party, gifts and refreshments.

RAMONA TRUELL, President
GAIL ARCHAMBAULT, Vice President
LOIS HOLMES, Secretary
JANICE CUMMINGS, Treasurer

NATIONAL BICENTENNIAL CELEBRATION

IN CROYDON 1976

As our nation lit the 200 candles on its birthday cake, each town, city, and individual was asked to celebrate; and Croydon did its share. We started on December 14, 1975 with the presentation of the Bicentennial Flag and Certificate which made us an official Bicentennial Town.

Brush cutting behind the Town Hall in the area to be designated as a park for the use of the townspeople started in late 1975 and early 1976 by volunteers under the direction of Charles Kuhn; notably Cecil Dodge, George Gross, Joseph Howes, Albert Smith, William Smith, Beatrice and Bob Smith. Harry Newcomb made the sign and the family of Viola and Harry Porter donated the backboard, basket & basketball in their honor. The ground having been cleared, Frank Dearden leveled the area with his bulldozer and installed culverts to carry off the excess water. Picnic tables were purchased and play equipment installed for the children. It is only a beginning and we all realize the Park will be a project for years to come.

The essay contest was opened to the school children in grades 7 through 12. Individual prizes were bicentennial silver dollars in graduated amounts. The winners of the contest were Joseph Newcomb, Richard Newcomb, Carol Gross and Sarah Freak. William Greeley had obtained the flag which was flown over our Capitol at Washington and a letter from President Ford. These he presented to the Town of Croydon in honor of the essay contestants. It flew over Croydon on July 4th in memory of his Marine Corps shipmates who have made the supreme sacrifice in all wars. It is hoped that in 100 years it will fly over Croydon again.

The younger school children from gardes 1 through 6 had a poster contest with prizes of bicentennial silver dollars. First through third grade winners were Tom Leslie, Michael Bullis, Dean Barnes, with honorable mention going

to Freddie Vaine. Fourth through sixth grade winners were Michelle Ballou, Belinda Durgin, Mark Archambeault with two honorable mentions; Michelle Bourassa and Linda Whipple. All the youngsters at the East Village School were presented Bicentennial pins for having made an effort in the contest.

On display at the Annual Town Meeting was a mock-up of the proposed park. It had been assembled by Mitzi Pellerin, Nancy Brown and Carol Gross.

In late spring Cecil Dodge cut brush in the Pinnacle Cemetery (the oldest cemetery in Town) and also in the Winter Hill Cemetery to make these more attractive to visitors who might be looking up ancestors.

On Saturday, June 26th, the Selectmen sponsored a dance with prizes for the best costumes. Music was furnished by local talent which included William Walsh and singer Jean MacWilliams. The Boy Scouts sold refreshments and a general good time was enjoyed by all who attended.

Following the dance was a 'Turkey Shoot' and black powder contest under the leadership of Paul Doiron. First prize was a Ruger .44 black powder pistol which was won by Jerry Poisson of Newport. It was a nice day and well attended having taken place on the Croydon-Newport town line at the Mt. View Gun Club Range.

Sunday services at the Croydon Flat Church were arranged by Veronica Newcomb with patriotic hymns.

Church bells at both churches rang at 2 p. m. on July 4th in conjunction with bells across America. In Croydon it was the signal for the parade to commence. They convened at what was formerly Green Acres Ice Cream Co. and continued through Town on Route #10 to the new Park for the dedication ceremony. It was not the first parade ever held in Croydon, but the first one in many years. The parade chairman, Frank Holmes, did a commendable job and both participants and spectators enjoyed it. The people then assembled at the newly created Park behind the Town Hall and School. This land, which had been donated to Croydon some years ago by Ivor Muzzey, was named in honor of his Mother, Sadie Muzzey. Sadie

was a school teacher, librarian and postmistress in Croydon for many years. Russell Muzzey III, grandson of Mrs. Muzzey made the dedication speech.

The newly created Volunteer Fire Department had barbecued chicken cooking fragrantly on the lawn and the Ladies Fire Auxiliary were inside the hall with assorted salads, spaghetti, baked beans, hot and cold beverages and dessert. . . It was a feast indeed!

Sullivan County's bicentennial quilt, sponsored by the Helping Services Council of Sullivan County, had a square from Croydon. The little brick school at Croydon East Village was drawn by Peggy Hawkins, appliqued by Jean Dodge and embroidered by Rita Gross.

The last main event held was "Heritage Day" sponsored by the Good Neighbor Club. There were tables in the hall with numerous and sundry exhibits, tools of the past, antiques and souvenirs. There were exhibits inside and out of candle dipping, soap making, rug braiding, quilting, wood carving, and spinning. The boys scouts had a trapping tent set up outside and refreshments included old fashion switzel, as well as lemonade and home made ginger cookies.

Looking for a lasting souvenir was not easy but the Committee decided that having Croydon's earliest history reprinted would be worthwhile. The Argus-Champion of Newport reprinted John Cooper's "Sketch of Croydon". They will be available for sale as long as the supply lasts. Any receipts from this sale of souvenirs from this year on will be turned over to the Sadie Muzzey Memorial Park Fund.

So many people participated in these series of events that it is impossible to give full credit to all. It is to Croydon's credit that our citizens took such an interest and gave so generously of their time and talents to say,

"My Country, the United States of America. . . .

HAPPY BIRTHDAY . ."

NATIONAL BICENTENNIAL CELEBRATION ACCOUNT

Raised and appropriated at Town Meeting of March 1975		$ 500.00
Argus-Champion, 60 letters printed for flag presentation	$ 30.60	
William Greeley, postage for same	3.90	
First Citizens National Bank, printed checks	3.45	
Manchester Union Leader, flag pins	30.00	
Whitney Studio, bicentennial flag pictures	4.00	
Eagle Publication, advertising invitation	20.00	
Argus-Champion, advertising invitation	13.26	
Lordship Simco Inc., bicentennial lapel pins	50.00	
Newport Savings Bank, silver dollars & $2.00 bills for prizes in contest	60.00	
Rody's Gun Shop, prizes for gun shoot	125.00	
William Hoyt, use of Leaping Lena in the parade	25.00	
Ben Franklin Store, frame for bicentennial plaque	6.00	
		128.79
Bank interest	14.53	
Sale of souvenirs	210.00	353.32
Returned to the General Fund of the Town of Croydon	353.32	
December 31, 1976, account closed		—0—

ANNUAL REPORT

of the

Croydon School District

July 1, 1975

to

June 30, 1976

EXECUTIVE ORGANIZATION

CROYDON SCHOOL BOARD

William Walsh, Chairman	Term Expires 1977
Agnes MacKenzie	Term Expires 1978
Dorothy Ballou	Term Expires 1979

SUPERVISORY UNION #43 OFFICERS

Peter Allen, Chairman	Kearsarge
Sally Eldredge, Vice-Chairman	Newport
Mary Emerson, Secretary	Kearsarge
Doris Osgood, Treasurer	Sunapee

OFFICERS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT

Moderator	Willis Ballou, Jr.
Clerk	Willis Ballou, Sr.
Treasurer	Willis Ballou, Sr.
Auditor	Beatrice Smith

ADMINISTRATION

Superintendent of Schools	Gordon B. Flint
Assistant Superintendent of Schools	John H. Sokul
Teacher Consultant	Alphonse J. Soucy
Assistant for Business Affairs	John C. Mansell
Clerk	Ines Ferriter
School Nurse	June F. Buck

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE DISTRICT TREASURER

July 1, 1975 — June 30, 1976

Cash on Hand July 1, 1975 (Treasurer's Bank Balances)		$ 4,388.65
Received from Selectmen (Current Appropriation)	$ 71,116.34	
Balance of Previous Appropriations	5,000.00	
Revenue from State Sources	1,947.31	
Revenue from Federal Sources	1,787.43	
Received from All Other Sources	645.24	
Total Receipts		80,496.32
Total Amount Available for Fiscal Year		$ 84,884.97
Less School Board Orders Paid		83,644.10
Balance on hand June 30, 1976 (Treasurer's Bank Balances)		$ 1,240.87

June 30, 1976

WILLIS H. BALLOU, SR.

District Treasurer

AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that I have examined the books, vouchers, bank statements and other financial records of the Treasurer of the School District of Croydon of which the above is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1976, and find them correct in all respects.

August 3, 1976

BEATRICE A. SMITH

Auditor

FINANCIAL REPORT
OF THE CROYDON SCHOOL DISTRICT

REGULAR ACCOUNT

For the Year Ending June 30, 1976

RECEIPTS

Revenue from Local Sources		
Received from Current Appro.	$ 71,116.34	
Balance Due on Previous Appro.	5,000.00	
Other Revenue from Local Sources	3.00	
		$ 76,119.34
Revenue from State Sources		
Sweepstakes	1,947.31	
		1,947.31
Revenue from Federal Sources		
School Lunch & Special Milk Program	1,787.43	
		1,787.43
Amounts Received from Other School Districts in State		
Incentive Aid	487.80	
Refund on Tuition	154.44	
		642.24
Total Receipts from All Sources		$ 80,496.32
Cash on Hand at Beginning of Year July 1, 1975		4,388.65
Grand Total Net Receipts		$ 84,884.97

EXPENDITURES

Administration		
Salaries of District Officers		$ 417.50
Dorothy Ballou, School Board	$ 75.00	
Agnes MacKenzie, School Board	75.00	
William Walsh, School Board	75.00	
Willis H. Ballou, Sr., Treasurer	125.00	
Willis H. Ballou, Sr., Clerk	15.00	
Willis H. Ballou, Jr., Moderator	45.00	
Beatrice Smith, Auditor	7.50	
Contracted Services		35.00
Willis H. Ballou, Sr., Census	35.00	

Other Expenses		197.18
Argus Champion	54.91	
Argus Communications	14.98	
Barrett Press	8.65	
National Cash Register	35.64	
Regional Center	5.00	
School Board Association	75.00	
Supervisory Union #43	3.00	
Instruction		
Salaries of Teachers:		$ 8,845.00
Rosemary Aldrich	$ 8,550.00	
Sandra Perron (Speech Therapist)	225.00	
Substitute	70.00	
Salaries of Other Instructional Staff		2,607.00
Donna Leslie, Teacher Aide	2,607.00	
Textbooks		272.30
Dartmouth Bookstore	40.83	
Educators Publishing Service	5.59	
Harper & Row	20.51	
Houghton Mifflin	110.87	
McGraw Hill	18.47	
C. E. Merrill	10.86	
Modern Curriculum Press	50.24	
Scott Foresman	14.93	
School Libraries and Audio Visual Materials		198.02
American Guidance Service	11.97	
Educators Progress Service	13.45	
National Geographic Society	5.85	
National Wildlife Federation	14.00	
Stone Soup	6.75	
Visual Education	46.00	
Teaching Supplies		478.16
Educators Publishing Service	50.66	
Hovey's	60.04	
Jenn Publication	26.00	
LaPine Scientific	6.26	
Mainco	262.53	
Psychological Corp.	17.00	
Ruwe Pencil	3.80	
Scott Foresman	14.61	
Teaching Resource	37.26	

Contracted Services		30.00
Regional Center	30.00	
Other Expenses		165.92
Rosemary Aldrich—Course reimburse.	159.80	
Mainco	3.23	
Alvah M. Squibb	2.79	
Health Services		
Salary for Health Service		340.00
June F. Buck, School Nurse	340.00	
Other Expenses		433.75
June Buck—Travel	100.00	
Counseling Center of Sullivan County	333.75	
Pupil Transportation		
Salaries for Pupil Transportation		2,880.00
Harry Newcomb	2,880.00	
Supplies		676.95
Town of Croydon, Gas	676.95	
Contracted Services—Ryder Truck Rental		4,914.80
Other Expenses		2.00
Family Doctor Associates	2.00	
Operation of Plant		
Salary for Operation of Plant		1,260.00
Stuart Sandreuter	1,260.00	
Supplies, except Utilities		121.01
W. E. Aubuchon	6.41	
Airkem-VT/NH	23.29	
Fuller Brush Company	10.95	
Hillyard	26.10	
Huntington	29.50	
LaValley	.98	
Martin Hardware	7.53	
Modern Curriculum Press	16.25	
Heat for Buildings		434.40
Goodrich Oil Company	434.40	
Utilities, except Heat		568.84
Goodrich Oil	12.00	
New England Telephone	180.53	
Public Service	376.31	
Maintenance of Plant		
Repairs to Equipment		74.44

Rosemary Aldrich	2.99	
Pioneer Business Machines	20.50	
Western Fire Extinguisher	50.95	
Repairs to Buildings		182.68
Aubuchon	20.88	
Robert Beniot	10.00	
Heath & Field	8.00	
LaValley	14.37	
Martin Hardware	20.20	
Newport Plumbing & Heating	39.45	
Rowell	.90	
Robert Smith	45.88	
Joan Chandler	23.00	
Fixed Charges		
Teachers' Retirement System		152.52
F. I. C. A.		676.57
Insurance		189.09
Other Fixed Charges—Blue Cross		199.11
School Lunch and Special Milk Program		
Expenditures and Transfers of Monies		2,087.43
Federal Monies—Non-Food Assis.	1,398.82	
Federal Monies	388.61	
District Monies	300.00	
Outgoing Transfer Accounts		53,664.29
Tuition to Other School Districts	53,664.29	
Grade 12		
Bocko, Daniel	$1,060.00	
Curtis, Nancy	1,060.00	
Newcomb, James	1,060.00	
Pellerin, Michelle	1,060.00	
Grade 11		
Bressette, Ronald (left 10/14/75)	176.70	
Brown, Nancy	1,060.00	
Curtis Terry	1,060.00	
McIntosh, Matthew	1,060.00	
Moulton, Dale	1,060.00	
Newcomb, Joseph	1,060.00	
Newcomb, Philip	1,060.00	
Partridge, Brenda	1,060.00	
Welch, Sherri	1,060.00	

Grade 10

Brown, Donna	1,060.00
Fogg, Steven	1,060.00
Gross, Carol	1,060.00
Lewis, Rebecca	1,060.00
McGuire, Darlene	1,060.00
Moore, Edna	1,060.00
Phillip, John	1,060.00
Truell, Allen	1,060.00
Whipple, Susan	1,060.00

Grade 9

Durgin, Kathi	1,060.00
Freak, Saralyn	1,060.00
Freak, Valerie	1,060.00
MacIntyre, Rickie	1,060.00
Newcomb, Raymond	1,060.00
Whipple, Claudia	1,060.00
Partridge, Edward (entered 9/11/75 left 4/6/76)	735.03

Grade 8

Archambault, Lee	870.00
Bocko, Elizabeth	870.00
Bourassa, Robert (entered 1/5/76)	516.81
DeMayo, Lorrie	870.00
Dugie, Christine	870.00
MacIntyre, Romana	870.00
Moore, Mark (left 11/18/75)	251.16
Pellerin, Christopher	870.00
Truell, Keith	870.00

Grade 7

Fowler, Kimberly	870.00
Macie, Norman	870.00
Newcomb, Richard	870.00
Whipple, Patricia	870.00

Grade 6

Aiken, Sandra	632.00
Archambault, Mark	632.00
Bourassa, Michelle (entered 1/5/76)	375.57
Currier, Jeffrey	632.00
DeMayo, Carla	632.00
Durgin, Belinda (entered 11/12/75)	610.74

McGuire, Larry	632.00
MacIntyre, Tammy	632.00
Whipple, Linda	632.00

Grade 5

Ballou, Michelle	632.00
Durgin, Kelley	632.00
Duguie, Barry	632.00
McDonough, Kismit	632.00
Macie, Scott (left 4/12/76)	477.56
Partridge, Tammy	632.00
Vaine, Tammy	632.00

Grade 4

Campbell, Terry	632.00
DeMayo, Dorothy	632.00
Holmes, Heather	632.00
Macie, Perley (left 4/12/76)	477.36
Sampson, Ricky	632.00

Special Class

Bressette, Rina	622.00
Macie, April (left 4/12/76)	477.36

District Share of Supervisory Union Expenses		$ 1,385.70
* Superintendent's Salary	280.50	
** Assistant Superintendent's Salary	194.15	
*** Teacher Consultant's Salary	172.15	
Union Personnel and Expenses	738.90	
Total Net Expenditures For All Purposes		$ 83,489.66
Cash on Hand at End of Year, June 30, 1976		1,240.87
Grand Total Net Expenditures		$ 84,730.53

* From State $2,500.00—Newport: $7,586.25—Sunapee: $3,455.25 — Kearsarge: $13,158.00 — Goshen-Lempster: $1,020.00

** From State $2,350.00—Newport: $5,250.88—Sunapee: $2,391.57 — Kearsarge: $9,107.40 — Goshen-Lempster: $706.00

*** From State $2,350.00—Newport: $4,655.87—Sunapee: $2,120.58 — Kearsarge: $8,075.40 — Goshen-Lempster: $626.00

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the Citizens of Croydon:

The present enrollment in Grades 1-3 is 21:

Grade 1 - 11
Grade 2 - 2
Grade 3 - 8

Five students in Grades 1-3 are attending school in Newport with the tuition paid by the parents. Census reports call for six students to enter Grade 1 next year. If no others appear this will make a total enrollment under twenty.

Mrs. Rosemary Aldrich is again teaching the Village School and is assisted by Mrs. Donna Leslie as Teacher-Cafeteria Aide.

Miss Geraldine Elmer makes weekly visits for music instruction.

The School Lunch Program is now fully operative and has become a vital part of the school operation. Much credit should be given to Donna Leslie who has worked many hours to make the program a success and still stay within tight financial limits. Reports indicate the program is well accepted by students and parents.

As tuition charges increase for those students in Grades 4-12, it may be of interest to compare the cost of operating the Village School as compared to other elementary schools throughout the state. For the 1975-76 school year:

STATE AVERAGE	(Elementary)	$1,061
CROYDON'S COST	(Grades 1-3)	$1,106

With 154 school districts operating elementary schools in New Hampshire, the per pupil cost was higher in 35 districts and lower in 118 districts.

The over-all progress within the school is favorable. The staff is innovative and is making good use of equipment and instructional space. Positive parental support is evident and is appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,
GORDON B. FLINT
Superintendent of Schools

CROYDON SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET

	Actual 1976-77	Estimate 1977-78
Administration:		
Salaries, District Officers	$ 405.00	$ 405.00
Contracted Services	35.00	35.00
Other Expenses	250.00	250.00
Instruction:		
Salary of Teacher & Substitutes	9,250.00	9,800.00
Salary of Teacher-Cafeteria Aide	3,600.00	3,960.00
Textbooks	160.00	200.00
Library & Audiovisual Materials	140.00	200.00
Teaching Supplies	400.00	500.00
Contracted Services	540.00	540.00
Health Services:	745.00	1,025.00
Pupil Transportation:	11,086.00	11,366.00
Operation of Plant:		
Salary of Janitor	1,600.00	1,600.00
Supplies	115.00	125.00
Heat	600.00	600.00
Utilities	500.00	600.00
Maintenance of Plant:	250.00	600.00
Fixed Charges:		
Retirement & Social Security	1,095.00	1,054.00
Insurance	553.00	694.00
Health Insurance	200.00	300.00
Capital Outlay:	50.00	275.00
Outgoing Transfer Accounts:		
Tuition: High School (Grades 9-12)	37,440.00	39,210.00
Junior High (Grades 7-8)	11,100.00	16,192.00
Elementary (Grades 4-6)	16,544.00	19,272.00
Share of Supervisory Union Expenses	1,589.00	1,734.00
Tuition for Handicapped	1,221.00	1,249.00
	$ 99,468.00	$111,786.00

INCOME

	Actual 1976-77	Estimate 1977-78
Balance	$ 1,240.87	$ 1,500.00
Revenue from State Sources:		
Sweepstakes	2,352.37	2,352.00
A R E A Aid—Incentive Aid	486.92	488.00
Total Income:	$ 4,080.16	$ 4,340.00
District Appropriation	95,387.84	107,446.00
	$ 99,468.00	$111,786.00

SCHOOL WARRANT

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the School District in the Town of Croydon, qualified to vote in District affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said District on the 3rd day of March 1977 at 7:30 p. m. to act upon the Articles set forth in this Warrant—not covering the election of District Officers. Said Officers will be elected on the 8th day of March 1977 at Town Meeting in said Town Hall and voting will be by official ballot and checklists.

Article 1. To choose a Moderator for the ensuing year.

Article 2. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.

Article 3. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.

Article 4. To choose a Member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.

Article 5. To choose an Auditor for the ensuing year.

(Articles 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 will be acted upon at Town Meeting.)

Article 6. To hear reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or Officers chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.

Article 7. To see what sum of money the District will vote to raise and appropriate for the support of schools, for the payment of salaries of School District Officials and Agents, and for the payment of statutory obligations of the District.

Article 8. To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands at said Croydon this seventh day of February 1977.

WILLIAM WALSH
AGNES MacKENZIE
DOROTHY BALLOU
Croydon School Board

A True Copy—Attest:
WILLIAM WALSH
AGNES MacKENZIE
DOROTHY BALLOU
Croydon School Board

BIRTHS

Registered in the Town of Croydon for the year ending December 31, 1976

Date of Birth	Place of Birth	Name of Child	Sex	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother
Jan. 11	Claremont	Stephanie Lynn DeMayo	F	Richard DeMayo	Nancy Davis
March 25	Newport	Raina Aimee Thorson	F	William C. Thorson	Marilyn C. Wright
March 29	Newport	Josie Mae Vaine	F	Theodore G. Vaine, Jr.	Honey M. Ash
April 14	Hanover	Levi David Litman	M	Nathan Litman	Norma Lobel
Aug. 11	New London	Teresa Ann Campbell	F	Scott A. Campbell	Betty P. Wheeler
Dec. 15	Lebanon	Greg Everett Lemay	M	Leonard J. Lemay	Mernie M. Newhall

Registered in the Town of Croydon for the year ending December 31, 1976

MARRIAGES

Date of Marriage	Place of Marriage	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride	Residence of Each at Time of Marriage	Names of Parents	Name, Residence and Official Station of Persons by Whom Married
April 24	Newport	Stephen M. Burpee Lois Jean Ballard	Chicopee, Mass. Croydon	Calvin Burpee Theresa Nadeau Clayton Ballard Lois Macie	Albert A. Gobin, Justice of the Peace
May 22	Croydon	Michael W. Bridgeo Brenda E. Partridge	Croydon Croydon	Thomas Bridgeo Helen Pendexter Francis Partridge Evangeline Manosh	Rev. Arthur W. Kennan, Clergyman
July 17	Croydon	Robert J. Fleischer Nancy S. Houghton	Arlington, Mass. Wellesley Hills, Mass.	Walter Fleischer Josephine Kohout Will Houghton Verna M. Stevens	Rev. Paul A. Pierce, Minister
July 24	Newport	Bernard Brian Smith Nancy Mullen	Croydon Newport	Edward Smith Jean Richardson John Mullen Patricia Sullivan	Rev. Robert Carty Catholic Priest
Sept. 4	Newport	Donald L. Gamash Lois Ada Burpee	Newport Croydon	Arthur Gamash Berta White Norman Macie Marion Bouchier	Albert A. Gobin, Justice of the Peace
Sept 29	Croydon	Gary D. Armstrong Valerie A. Sanders	Richmond, Va. Richmond, Va.	Charles Armstrong, Jr. Kathleen Allender Robert Sanders, Jr. Erma Ege	Larry E. Turns, Minister

DEATHS

Registered in the Town of Croydon for the year ending December 31, 1976

Date of Death	Place of Death	Name and Surname of the Deceased	Age	Occupation	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother
Dec. 29, '75	Unity	Minnie L. Walker	79			
Jan. 22	Berlin, Vt.	James G. Kempton	70			
March 7	New London	Robert S. Fogg, Sr.	79	Pioneer Aviator	George O. Fogg	Mabel Perkins
May 11	Hanover	Charlotte M. MacIntyre	34	Wirer	Wallace Thompson	Lena Scribner
May 28	Claremont	Viola B. Porter	82	Housewife	Unknown	Unknown
July 13	Newbury Cut	Jeffrey Freak	20		John E. Freak	Beverley Chevrier
Nov. 1	Newport	Josephine A. Barton	79	Housewife	John McDermott	Margaret Hart
Nov. 8	Newport	Evelyn F. Schroder	71	Housewife	Henry Hooper	Mable Davis
Nov. 20	Croydon	Theodore P. Smigel	67	Ret. Machinist	Peter Smigel	Veronica Golec

I hereby certify that the foregoing returns are correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

RITA D. GROSS

Town Clerk

Bicentennial Parade

Bicentennial Parade

Dedication of the Muzzey Memorial Park, Bicentennial 1976

Boy Scouts of Croydon

Town Meeting, 1976

Town Meeting, 1976

(Photos by William Walsh)